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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Tomohiro Kawase et al Art Unit : 1765
Serial No. : 09/824,965 Examiner : Robert Kunemund
Filed : April 3, 2001
Title : METHOD OF PREPARING GROUP III-V COMPOUND SEMICONDUCTOR CRYSTAL

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE

This is a response to the Official Action (paper 8) mailed March 6, 2002.

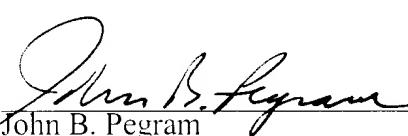
The sole basis for rejection in the Official Action was the requirement of a new oath or declaration in compliance with 37. C.F.R. 1.67(a), the defect in the original declaration being omission of the inventors' citizenship.

The new declaration is submitted herewith. It also serves as a supplemental declaration with respect to claims added during the prosecution of this application.

Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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